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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MARPLE.

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

and the

SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

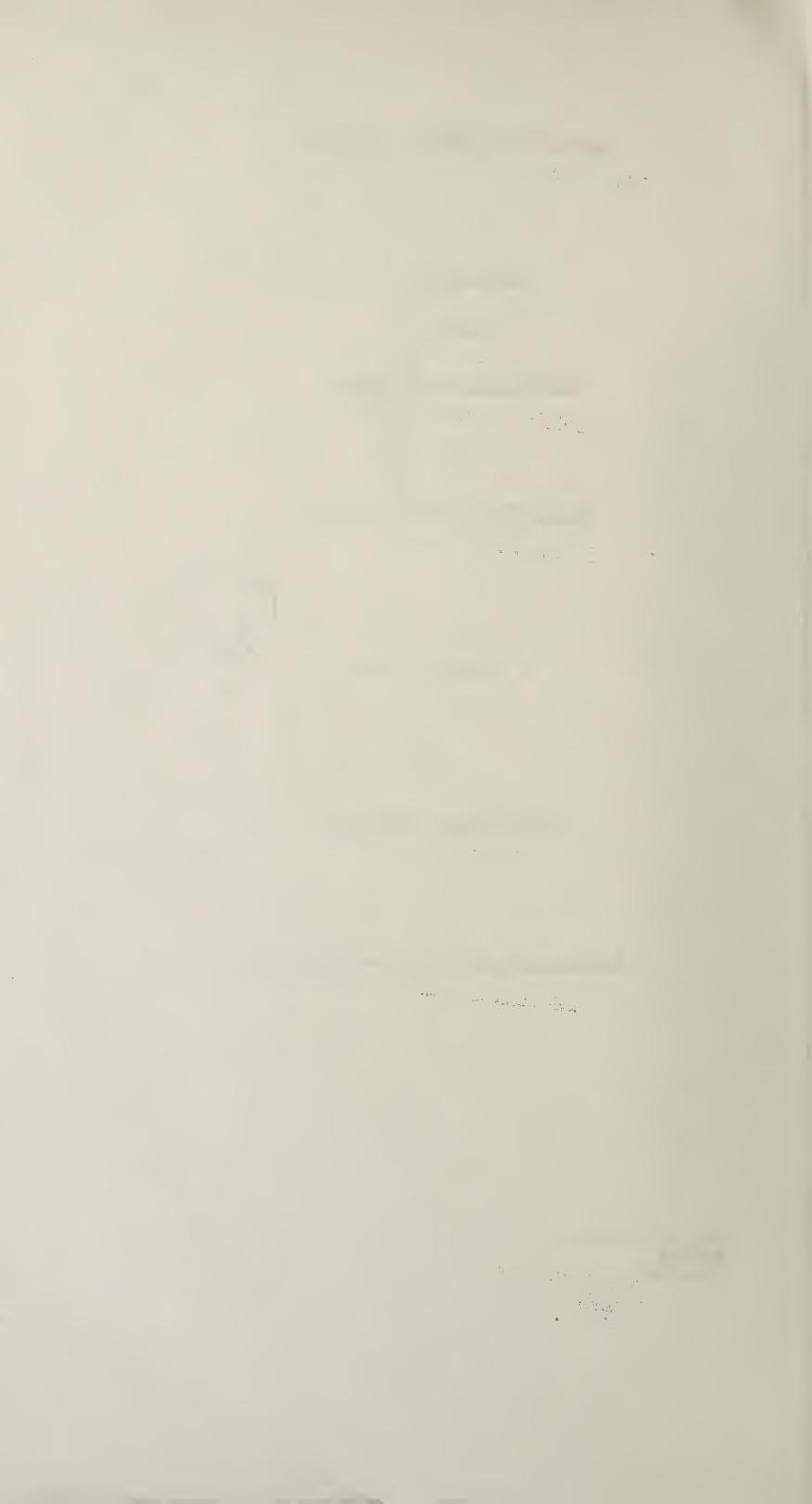


on the work of the

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

For the year ended 31st December, 1957.

Council Offices, MARPLE. Cheshire.



URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MARPLE.

To the Chairman and Members of the Marple Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the health of the Urban District of Marple during the year ended 31st December, 1957.

I am indebted to the Senior Public Health Inspector, Mr. Shacklock for his help in preparing the report.

I should like to take this opportunity of thanking the Chairman and Members of the Council and Health Committee for their interest and support throughout the year. I should also like to thank members of the Health Department and colleagues in other departments for their continued co-operation.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

T. W. BRINDLE.

Medical Officer of Health.



Medical Officer of Health

T.W. BRINDLE, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Senior Public Health Inspector.

FREDERICK SHACKLOCK, M. A. P. H. I.

(Certified Meat and Food Inspector)

(Certified Smoke Inspector)

(Appointed 1944)

Pupil Public Health Inspector.

DAVID BEARDMORE
(Appointed April, 1956)

Surveyor and Water Engineer.

E. BALL, M. I. Mun E.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. 1957.

CHAIRMAN Councillor Mrs. E. Daley.

VICE-CHAIRMAN Councillor J. Taylor.

Councillor S.D. Andrew.

- " R.A. Austin.
- " R. Bennett.
- " P. Daley.
- " J.H. Grimshaw.
- " W. Holmes.
- " D. Mackay.
- " A.S. Macnair.
- " H. Wilson.

SECTION A.

Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area.

Area (in acres)		• • • •	• • •	7,130	
Population (Census 195	1)	• • • •	• • •	,13,068	
Population 1957 (Regis				14,250	
Number of inhabited ho	ouses		• • •	5,197	
Rateable Value at Dece	mber, 195	7		£140,311	
Product of a Penny Rat	e at Dece	ember, 19	957	£547	
VIT	AL SI	ATIS	TIC	S	
LIVE BIRTHS.		Male.	Female	. Total.	
Legitimate		87	89		
Illegitimate		·	3	3	
TITEGICIMACE				-	
		87	92	179	
		Me	arple.	England and Wales	•
Birth Rate per 1000	4057				
population	1957		2, 56	16.1	
- do -	1956	16	6.49	15.7	
STILL BIRTHS.		Male.	Female	Total.	
Legitimate		2	3	5	
Illegitimate		-	~	-	
		2	3	5	
		===	==		
		Ma	arple.	England and Wales	•
					Ī
Still Birth Rate per 1000 population	1957	(D . 3 5		
- do -	1956		0.14	eca	
Rate per 1000 total (Live and Still Births).				
	1957	27	7.17	12.4	
	1956	8	8. 63	23.0	
-					
DEATHS.		Male.	Female	Total.	
All ages (all causes)		93	86	179	
		Ma	urple.	England and Wales	•
Death rate per 1000					
population	1957	1	12.56	11.5	
	1956		4.77	11.7	
					•

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CLASSIFICATION OF CAUSES OF DEATHS - 1957.

No.	Cause of Death.	19	57.
		M.	F.
1	Tuberculosis Respiratory	-	***
2	Tuberculosis, other	C	529
3	Syphilitic Disease		(29
4	Diphtheria	-	(22)
5	Whooping Cough	-	=
6	Meningococcal Infections	as	(23
7	Acute Poliomyelitis	-	1
8	Measles		629
9	Other infective and parasitic diseases	e p	C28
10	Malignant Neoplasm, stomach	3	1
11	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	5	1
12	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	æ	2
13	Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	2
14	Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	10	5
15	Leukaemia, Aleukaemia		-
16	Diabetes	2	can .
17	Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	18	23
18	Coronary Disease, Angina	15	13
19	Hypertension with Heart Disease	3	2
20	Other Heart Disease	12	12
21	Other circulatory Disease	2	2
22	Influenza	1	2
23	Pneumonia	3	3
24	Bronchitis	7	1
25	Other diseases of respiratory system	620	1
26	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	24-	60
27	Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	1	6
28	Nephritis and Nephrosis	Cap .	
29	Hyperplasia of Prostate	-	-
30	Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion	-	-
31	Congential Malformations	1	6
32	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	4	11
33	Motor Vehicle accidents	5	a
34	All other accidents	2	4
35	Suicide	•	-
36	Homicide and operations of war	cao	
	ALL CAUSES	93	86

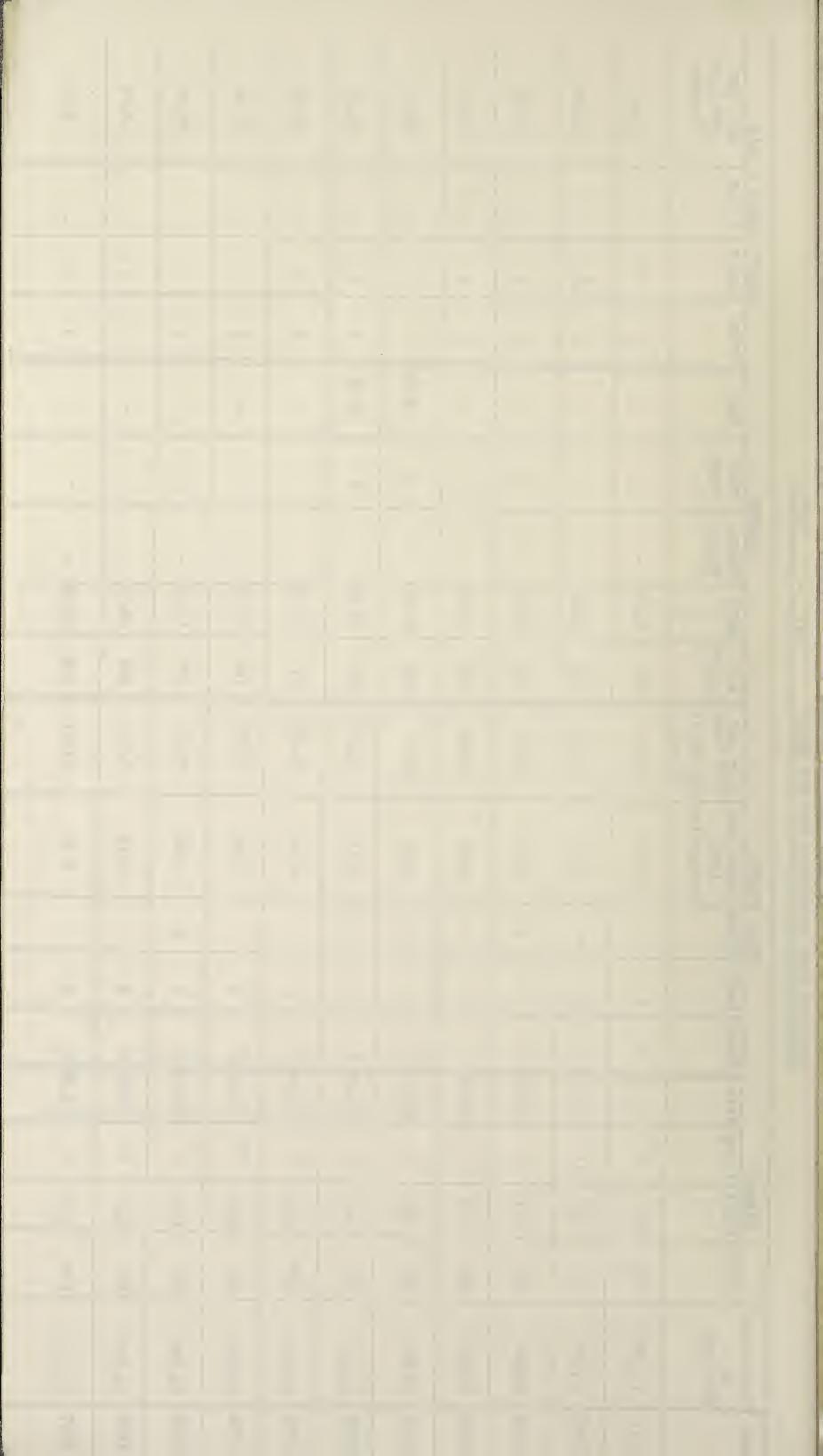


Deaths from various causes.	Male	Female	Total	
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	18	11	29	
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	800	•	_	
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	_	-	_	
Deaths from Gastritis, Enteritis and	_	_	_	
Diarrhoea (all ages)	1	628	1	
Deaths Classified by Ages.	Male	Female	Total	
0 - 1 year	1	_	1	
1 -10 years	1	-	1	
11 -20 years	-	ca	63	
21 -30 "	_	1	1	
41 -50 "	1	1	2	
51 -60 "	13	6	19	
61 -70 "	22	15	37	
71 -80	37	27	64	
81 - 90 "	17	34 2	51	
91 -100 "	1	2	3	
	93	86	179	
Deaths Maternal Causes.	***************************************			
Puerperal Sepsis		-		
Other Maternal Causes		•		
Death Rates (Infantile) i.e. Infants under 1 ves	r of a	æe.		
Death Rates (Infantile) i.e. Infants under 1 year	ir of a	ge.		
Death Rates (Infantile) i.e. Infants under 1 yes		ge. Female	Total	
	Male			
Legitimate	Male 1		Total	
	Male			
Legitimate	Male 1			
Legitimate	Male 1			
Legitimate	Male 1	Female	1	
Legitimate	Male 1	Female	1	
Legitimate	Male 1	Female	1	
Legitimate	Male 1	Female	1	
Legitimate	Male 1	Female	1	
Legitimate	Male 1 -	Female	1	
Legitimate	Male 1 -	Female	1	•
Infantile Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births 1957	Male 1 -	Female	1	•
Legitimate	Male 1 -	Female	1	•
Legitimate	Male 1 1	Female - -	l l births	
Infantile Death Rate per 1,000 Live Births 1957	Male 1 1	Female - -	l l births	
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0320	Year. Population to Mid-year.	Total	Legit Illeg	1110	⊕	Total	Legit Illes	1	per 0 ation	Rate per 1000 fire and Still Births	All	Rate	Puerp. Sepsis.	Other Puerp.	Rate	Total	\$P		Rate per 1000 Live Births
1947	12,380	190	185	9	15.34	Ø	•	0	0°.5	32.57	80	14.52	1	0	J	4	4	0	20.40
1948	12,150	65	182	r-1	15.23	8	N	0	0,20	10.36	182	14.27	0	0	0	00	ω	0	41.02
1949	12,830	80 80 81		N	14.18	K	M	N	0,38	27.47	55	12.00	0	0	0	4	4	0	21.39
1950	13,010	182	r r	F	13.98	W _	9	0	0.46	32.96	92	13,50	0	Û	0	7	4	0	21,27
1951	12,890	767	67	CI	5000	N	· n	0	0°39	25.77	205	15.90	0	F-4	5.02			0	35.17
1922	13,040	R	146	9	900	C	2	Q	0.15	13.15	207	15.87	0	pro-ref	6°49	4	4	0	26,31
1953	13,160	198	190	00	15.04	4	4	C	0°30	20°50°	2	13.06	0	9	Ð	R	4	-	25°55
1954	13,400	215	205	10	16.04	Φ	80	0	0.59	35.87	166	12,39	0	8	8	9	20	٦	27.91
1955	13,590	165	161	4	12,14	01	8	2	0.66	51.73	181	13,32	0	8	889	2	N	9	30.30
1956	13,950	230	513		16,49	CV CV	2	ı	0.14	8.63	506	14.77	0	8	9	~	m	1	13.04
1957	14,250	179	176	m	12.56	<i>S</i>	5		0°35	27.17	179	12.56	ı	1	l	П	п	1	5.59



PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES

General. The following table shows the number of cases of each disease notified during the ten years 1948 to 1957 (inclusive)

	1	,		1	1	φ				2
DISEASE	1948	1949	1950 ×	1951 **	1952 ¥	1953 ¥	1954	1955	1956 ¥	1957
Smallpox	C	as	Eup	-	-	-	-	COO	_	-
Scarlet Fever	19	14	52	12	24	57	16	13	23	3
Diphtheria	3	Ča .	cas	=	a	623	_	COS .		Ga .
Enteric (Inc. Paratyphoid).	C3	as	-	1	-	-	-	-	w	==
Erysipelas	2	1	2	-	2	3	1	2	1	2
Acute Poliomyelitis	1	5	1	1	-	2	-	-	5	3
Ophthalmia Neonatorum		6		C EN	SCE20	-	60	-	_	(CCS)
Pneumonia	4	2	4	3	3	2	3	4	1	1
Meningitis	2	-	_	-		~		1	-	tao
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	695		GED	1	- ·	, es	فتت
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	-		2	1	2	2	-		3
Dysentery	-	1	4	e	9	11	9	19	E D	2
Measles	21	49	251	143	61	220	62	173	3	377
Whooping Cough	101	58	52	3 6	7 5	47	34	63	32	4
Food Poisoning	a	3	-	7	3	CEE		-	-	-
TOTALS	154	128	366	2 0 5	178	344	127	275	65	395

Figures from 1948 are those after correction of diagnosis.

ANALYSIS OF NOTIFIED INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Number of cases notified as having occurred among persons of the ages specified below:-

		rlet ver		ping ugh		te Poli lytic	Non-		Meas	eles
	М.	F.	М.	F.	М.	F.	M.	F.	М.	F.
Under 1 year	-	-	43	-		-	-	6 4	6	3
1 - 2 years	-	-	1	G	-	-	480	-	37	40
3 - 4 years	-	60	-	2	-	-			50	42
5 - 9 years	_	3	-	620	-	_	-	-	102	83
10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5
15 - 24 years	-	-	-	COM	-	2	-	-	-	3
25 and over	-	_	1	-	-	1	-	-`	-	1
Age unknown	es	6		-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total for all Ages	-	3	2	2		3	-	•	200	177

	Ac. P	neumonia	Dyse	ntery	Erysip	elas	Puerperal Pyrexia
	М.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	Tyrexia
Under 5 years	1	-	1	-	-	•	. ·
5 - 14 years	-	um			-	~	-
15 - 44 years		ua u	_	1	-	=	3
45 - 64 years	-	-	-	-	-	2	gas.
65 and over	-	-	-	-	_	-	
Total for all ages	1	-	1	1	æ	2	3

DIPHTHERIA.

There have been no cases of Diphtheria since 1948.

The number of children who completed a full course of Primary Immunisation during 1957 is as follows:-

Under 5	years	o	•	٥	0	0	0	0	۰	۰	209
5 - 14	11	•	۰	0	٠	o	۰	۰	0	•	20
	TO	T	AL	٥	0	0	۰	٥	0	•	229

At the 31st December, 1957, the total number of children under the age of 15 years who had completed a course of immunisation was as follows:-

	During 1943-1952	During 1953-1957	TOTAL.
Under 5 years	-	620	620
5 - 14 years	949	1173	2122

During the year 302 children under the age of 15 years received reinforcing injections.

TUBERCULOSIS.

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING 1957.

1					1			•
	NEW C	ASES				DEATH	3	
Age Period	Male	3	Femal	es	Male	s	Fema	les
reriod	Pulmon -ary	Non- Pulmon -ary	Pulmon -ary	Non- Pulmon -ary	Pulmon -ary	Non- Pulmon -ary	Pulmon -ary	Non- Pulmon -ary
0 - 1 yr.	~	enic	epra .	6 23	æ	8 53	dead	cas
1 - 5 yrs.	-		Çi.D	ewp.	_	-	-	***
5 - 15 "	2	-	1	823	=	€	c	-
15 - 25 "	· 1	-	G	⇔	—	€	903	Q200
25 - 35 "	æ	-	2	8	60	-	639	65
35 - 45 "	2	25	-		-	CDM	-	-
45 - 55 "	600	=	=	-	=	=	-	=
55 - 65 "	1	-	6	æ	-	~	(20)	-
65 and Upwards	1	₩.	ಹು	=	cao	=	æ	G
TOTALS	7	-	3	cao			•	ops.

The number of cases remaining in the Tuberculosis Register at the end of 1957 was:-

		Pulmonary.	Non-Pulmonary.
Males	• • •	55	15
Females		43	17
		98	32

SECTION B.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

Laboratory Facilities. Examinations of Food, Milk, Water, Ice Cream and materials from patients, are carried out by the Public Health Laboratory, Monsall Hospital, Manchester (since 5th July, 1948). In addition bacteriological examinations are carried out when necessary at the Pathological Laboratory, Stepping Hill.

The following services are provided by the Local Health Authority and administered by the North East Cheshire Divisional Health Committee.

Ambulance Facilities. A 24-hour Ambulance Service is available, being provided by the County Borough of Stockport on an agency basis.

Nursing in the Home. There are three District Nurses in the Area who undertake general nursing and maternity work.

Home Help Service. Home Helps have assisted during the year in the following cases in the Marple Urban District.

Miscellaneous Sickness		14
Confinement		21
Tuberculosis		CID
Chronic Sick including aged and infirm	• • • • •	43
		78

Infant Welfare Centres. Sessions are held weekly at Marple and fortnightly at Mellor, Marple Bridge and High Lane.

Attendances during the year were as follows:-

		New Cases.	Total Attendances.		
		0-1 year	0-1 year	1-2 years	2-5 years
Centre	Marple	147	1794	450	936
	Marple Bridge	33	432	120	316
	Mellor	13	170	94	266
	High Lane	28	295	246	207

School Clinic Held weekly at Marple Child Welfare Centre. The school dentist also attends.

Diphtheria and Whooping Cough Immunisation. Special Clinics are held for this purpose once a month at Marple Centre. In addition immunisation is carried out free of charge by general medical practitioners.

Services provided by the Regional Hospital Board.

Hospitals. Nab Top Sanatorium and The Orthopaedic Hospital for crippled children are both situated in the Urban District. There is no general hospital in the area. Patients from this area are admitted to hospitals in neighbouring districts. Maternity cases requiring hospital accommodation are also admitted to hospitals outside the area. Where necessary, infectious disease cases other than smallpox are admitted to the Stockport Isolation Hospital. Facilities for smallpox cases are provided at Ellswick Leys Smallpox Hospital, Lancashire and at Ainsworth Smallpox Hospital, near Bury.

Tuberculosis and Venereal Diseases. Special Clinics for the diagnosis and treatment of Tuberculosis and Venereal Diseases are held at Stepping Hill Hospital, Stockport.

Mortuary. The Mortuary for the district is maintained at the Council Offices, Marple.

SECTION C

Sanitary Circumstances of the Area

Water Number of samples taken during the year:-

Private Supplies 15
Public Supplies 16
Swimming Baths 2

33

The Urban District is supplied with water from Stockport Corporation via Jackson Edge Reservoir and from Kinder, Hayfield, via Jordan Wall Reservoir. These supplies have been frequently tested at the Public Health Laboratory, Manchester, and, as shown in the table below, have consistently been of a high bacteriological standard.

The Appletree and Devil's Elbow supplies, which were discontinued some six years ago owing to pollution are still not in use, but are held available in case of emergency.

Private Supplies are used at isolated cottages and farms, and these vary considerably in bacteriological quality, but some improvements have been effected during the year, and the possibility of replacing private supplies by a main supply in one area is receiving consideration.

TABLE SHOWING RESULTS OF BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS.

Gamma of Gamma	Class 1.	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
Source of Samples	O B. Coli per 100 m.l.	1-2 B. Coli per 100 m.l.	3-10 B. Coli per 100 m.l.	More than 10B. Coli per 100 m.l.
Stockport	7		GG.	-
Jordan Wall	8	N/O	cop.	1529
Devil's Elbow	-	440	-	100
Appletree	-	-	1	-
Tarden	-	-	-	13
Private Supplies	9	1	1	4
Swimming Baths	2	wai	u u	-
Hayfield (before Chlorination)	-	-	-	ta:
Hayfield (after Chlorination)	440	Q ACO	-	60
TOTALS	26	1	2	4

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

Marple Area. Sewage works at Dooley Lane, Low Marple and Strines provide for all but small parts of the area.

Mellor and Ludworth Area. The Sewage Works at Low Marple provides for the major part of the built-up area, the remainder being unsewered and dependent on septic tanks or the conservancy system. The number of septic tanks throught the district continues to increase owing to the modernisation of older houses formerly without water closets.

Improvement Schemes. The Council have accepted a tender and work has commenced on the laying of a trunk sewer from Dooley Lane to the Bongs Valley Works of the Hazel Grove and Bramhall Urban District Council, where large extensions are being made. When these extensions are completed and the trunk sewer is laid, the sewage works at Dooley Lane will be abandoned.

The Council have also decided to modernize the Low Marple Sewage Works and a scheme to this end is being prepared.

RIVERS AND STREAMS.

The pollution of the Rivers Goyt and Etherow, referred to in previous reports, caused by the discharge of factory and other effluents unfortunately continues. During June when the weather was exceptionally dry and hot there was a strong and disgusting smell of hydrogen sulphide present intermittently over a wide area within a few hundred yards of the Etherow. In an effort to prevent a recurrence of this nuisance the Council obtained the opinion of a consulting chemist and following his report had discussions with the Mersey River Board, the responsible authority and also with the Manchester Corporation Water Committee regarding compensation water for the Etherow. Pollution of the river is of long standing and it appears that there is no remedy which is likely to be immediately effective.

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION.

The following table shows the number of each of the various types of sanitary accommodation in the district:-

Water	Closet	ts .	• •	000		 • • •	 .5,217
Waste	Water	Clo	se	ts	• •	 	 . 134
Privy	Midder	ns d				 	 . 6
Pail (Closets	3				 	 . 188
Ashbir	ns					 	 .6,305

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL AND SANITARY PAIL COLLECTION.

Refuse is collected by means of one Dual Tip vehicle with a team of 5 men and one Karrier Bantam vehicle with a team of 3 men (including drivers). The men are supplied with bin trucks for the easy transport of dustbins from house to road, prior to emptying. They are also provided with protective clothing, including overalls and raincoats.

The privy middens are emptied quarterly and are situated at isolated hamlets and farms. The access to them is not suitable for regular motor traffic.

Pail collection is carried out separately from refuse collection by means of an iron tank with sealed doors fitted on to a motor vehicle manned by a driver and mate. The men are supplied with protective clothing and the tank is emptied at the sewage works.

The disposal of all house refuse is by means of controlled tipping at Beechwood Tip, a low lying central site bounded on one side by the River Goyt and approached from Arkwright Road.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL (Cont).

Dustbins. A scheme is operated for the supply and maintenance of dustbins at an annual charge of 7/6d. or alternatively dustbins may be purchased from the Council.

The cost of refuse collection and disposal and pail collection for the year 1957 is as follows:-

	Refuse Collection and Disposal	Pail Collection.	Total
	€.	€.	£.
Haulage	2,130	432	2,562
Wages	3 , 959	217	4,176
Equipment	103	7	110
Insurance & Sundries	41	3	44
Provision of Bins	68	-	68
Protective Clothing	25	3	28
Incentive Bonus	424		424
TOTALS	6,750	662	7,412
LESS Income	106	60	106
	6,644	662	7,306

Estimated weight of Refuse collected and disposed of by controlled tipping:-

5,397 tons.

Estimated cost per ton £1. 7. 0½d. (England and Wales £1.12. 4d. average for Urban Districts).

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Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

Inspections made during the year 1957:-

Nature of Inspections.

Water Supply	36
Drainage	259
Stables and Piggeries	9
Fried Fish Shops	7
Moveable Dwellings	30
Mechanical Factories	52
Non-Mechanical Factories	25
Outworkers	C
Bakehouses	4
Public Conveniences	, 2
Theatres and Places of Entertainment	·24
Refuse Collection)	· ·
Refuse Disposal	282
Rodent Control	120
Schools	3
Shops	11
Miscellaneous Visits	86
Swimming Baths	2
Pollution of Streams	30
Inspection of Houses re Complaints, etc.)	218
Re-Inspection of above)	230
Inspection of Houses under Housing Act	86
Re-Inspection of above	255
Overcrowding	2
Insect infestation	23
Milk and Food Vehicles	8
Accummulations on land, etc	15
Miscellaneous Housing Visits, including	
visits re Council Houses	399
Verminous Premises •••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	
Inquiry re Infectious Disease	
Disinfection ••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	
Miscellaneous Infectious Disease visits	19
Visits re Food Poisoning	•
Inspection of Meat and Food at	
Slaughterhouses and Shops	259
Inspection of Butchers Shops	89
Fishmongers and Poulterers	16
Grocers	68
Greengrocers	19
Food Preparation Premises	16
Restaurant Kitchens	6
Dairies and Milkshops and Farm Premises	
Milk Samples - Bacteriological	52
Milk Samples - Tubercle Bacilli	39
Milk Samples - Phosphatase or Turbidity Test	15
Street Vendors - Hawkers Carts	2
Public Health Laboratory	13
Hospitals	9
Water Samples - Bacteriological	24 8
Ice Cream Samples	7
Smoke Observations	

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NOTICES - INFORMAL.

	Served	Complied with
Public Health Acts, 1936	40	31
Housing Act, 1936	•	•
Milk and Dairies Regulations	8	8
Food Hygiene Regulations, 1955	18	14
Factory Act, 1937	10	7
Shop Acts	4	4
	80	64
NOTICES - STATUTORY.		
	Samrad	Complied with

	Served	Complied with
Public Health Act, 1936	31	32
Housing Act, 1936	2	0

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SHOPS AND OFFICES

- (a) Shops Act,1950. The major portion of the Act is administered by the County Council. The heating and ventilation of shops and the provision of sanitary accommodation is generally satisfactory throughout the district, but improvements have been made in five shops during the year.
- (b) Offices. No action has been necessary under the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1936, relating to sanitary accommodation, ventilation or overcrowding of offices.

CAMPING SITES AND MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

Licences.

Number of applications received: -

1957

- (a) for use of sites....
- (b) in respect of moveable dwellings.... 27

Licences were granted to all the 27 applicants, subject to the conditions imposed by the Council.

SMOKE ABATEMENT

Continued activity involving smoke observations and consultations with owners of factories has resulted in the complete abatement of nuisance from the emission of black smoke from factory chimneys in the district.

ERADICATION OF BED BUGS.

Number of dwellings found to be infested:-

Council Houses....

Other Houses..... 1

RODENT CONTROL.

The destruction of rats and mice has been continued by the Staff of the Department pending the appointment of the rodent operative to Bredbury and Romiley U.D.C. on a part time basis on 30th April, 1957.

The number of infestations discovered and treated during the year is:-

Mice infestations..... 30

Number of premises inspected 287

SCHOOLS.

There are six elementary schools and one secondary school in the Urban District. The water supply in all cases is satisfactory in quality but difficulty has been experienced in one school because of intermittant supply. The sanitary accommodation at all the schools is satisfactory.

Samples of school milk are taken periodically and tested at the Public Health Laboratory.

Food for school meals is inspected as necessary and any unsound food is condemned.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS.

The area of parks, recreation grounds and public open spaces in the district is as follows:-

	Area in Acres.
Memorial Park High Lane Park Mellor Memorial Park Brabyns Park Recreation Grounds	13.340 10.520 .360 91.175
Marple Village Windlehurst Ludworth Mellor Hawk Green Strines Road Mill Brow	6.380 .400 3.230 2.750 6.020 .500
Open Spaces. Barlow Wood TOTAL	20,000 155,175

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SWIMMING BATHS.

Record of attendance of bathers for 1957.

Month	Gentlemen	Ladies	Boys	Girls	Total	Spectators
April	657	268	2434	1999	5358	379
May	832	437	5731	4681	11681	642
June	1292	751	5192	4045	11280	760
July	1245	806	54,80	4619	12150	752
August	11/50	535	4249	3217	91 51	871 .
September	512	269	1735	1293	3 809	383

				Bathers.	Spectators.
Tota	al for	r 1957	(Six months)	53,429	3,787
11	11	1956	đo	44,572	2,728
11	#1:	1955	do	51,546	2,857
11	Ħi	1954	do	43, 709	2,480
**	tts	1953	ďo	37, 963	2,345
11	tt	1952	do	40,351	2,274
181	Ħ	1951	do	45,304	1,354
tt	11	1950	do	44,062	1,226
11	111	1949	do	45 , 1 07	1,707
11	tt	1948	do	41,990	1,746
w	tt +	1947	do	35,822	1,598
11.	11 '	1946	do	34, 256	2,226
11	tt	1938	(seven months)	29, 205	1,246
†\$ 1	11	1937	do	25,922	912

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SECTION D.

INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES.

During the year ten houses have been condemned under the provisions of the Housing Acts 1936-1957. Undertakings from owners have been accepted in five cases. Demolition orders have been served in four cases and action is deferred in one case owing to the illness of the owner.

Statutory Notices were served on the owner of two houses which were considered repairable at reasonable cost, under the provisions of Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1957.

The disrepair of fifty-seven other houses was dealt with under the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1936, also the remedy of dirty conditions in three houses.

The number of Certificates of Disrepair issued under the provisions of the Rent Act, 1957, is ten.

New Houses and Bungalows.

No.	built	by	the Council	during	the	year	0000	• • • •	38
No.	built	by	Private Ent	erprise			0000	0000	119

Tenancy of Council Houses.

During the year 30 tenancies have been allocated to applicants on the waiting lists; these comprise 16 houses; 3 flats and 11 bungalows. In addition 31 tenancies have been allocated to occupiers of houses in clearance areas and individual unfit houses condemned in 1956-7, these comprise 21 houses, 3 flats and 7 bungalows. There have also been 4 houses allocated to Overspill applicants.

SECTION E.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

MILK SUPPLY

THE FOOD AND DRUGS (MILK AND DARIES) ACT, 1944.

THE FOOD AND DRUGS (MILK & DAIRIES) REGULATIONS, 1949

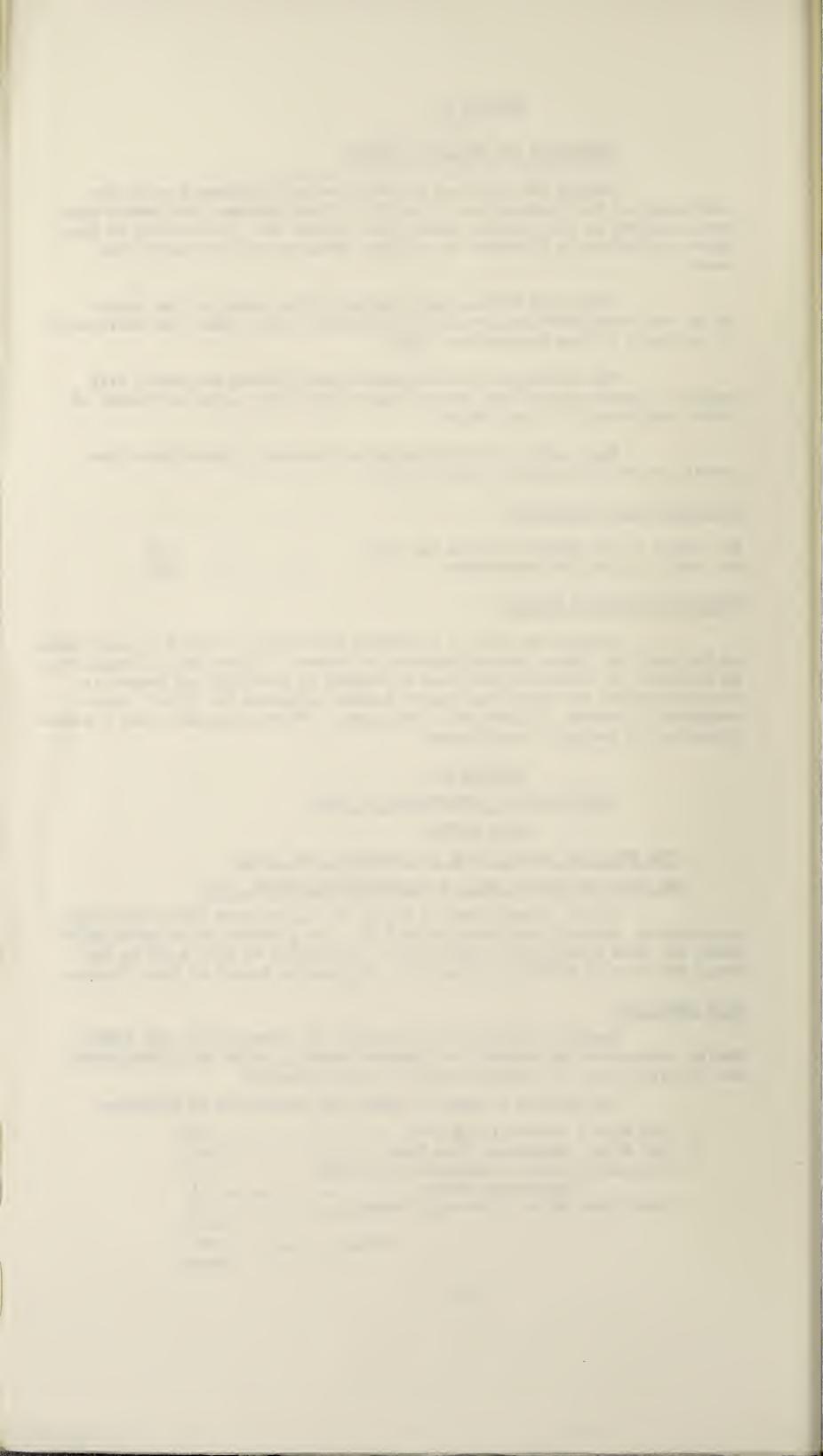
In the Urban District there are eighty-four farms where milk is produced, many of the herds being T.T. As a result of an order made under the Food & Drugs Act, 1955 (a) it is illegal to sell milk in the Urban District by retail, unless it is Tuberculin Tested or Heat Treated.

MILK SAMPLING.

Samples of milk sold by retail are submitted to the Public Health Laboratory and tested for Tubercle bacilli, also for cleanliness, and the efficiency of pasteurisation or sterilization.

The details of samples taken and tested are as follows:-

l.	Raw Milk - Tuberculosis Test
2.	Raw Milk - Methylene Blue Test41
3.	Pasteurised Milk - Methylene Blue and
	Phospatase Tests11
4.	Sterilised Milk - Turbidity Tests 4
	andronechus 3
	Total 95



Milk Sampling (Continued)

Re	esu	lt	s.

Tuberculosis Test	Negative Positive	39 -
Methylene Blue Test (Raw Milk)	Passed Failed	38 3
Methylene Blue Test and) (Pasteurised Phosphatase Test) Milk)	Passed Failed	11
Turbidity Test (Sterilized Milk)	Passed Failed	4

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) ORDER, 1936 MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) (RAW MILK) REGULATIONS, 1949. MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) (PASTEURISED AND STERILISED MILK) REGULATIONS, 1949

The Council have issued the following licences during the year:-

	Dealers.	Supplementary
Tuberculin - Tested Milk	7	6
Pasteurised Milk	6	5
Sterilised Milk	5	5

MEAT INSPECTION.

During the year 225 visits have been made to local slaughterhouses for the purpose of meat inspection. There are four licenced slaughterhouses in the area. These are situated at Marple, Marple Bridge, Hawk Green and High Lane, and are used by five local butchers.

The quality of cattle slaughtered at these premises continues to be very good and consequently the amount of meat condemned is small.

The number of carcases examined during the year 1957 is as follows:-

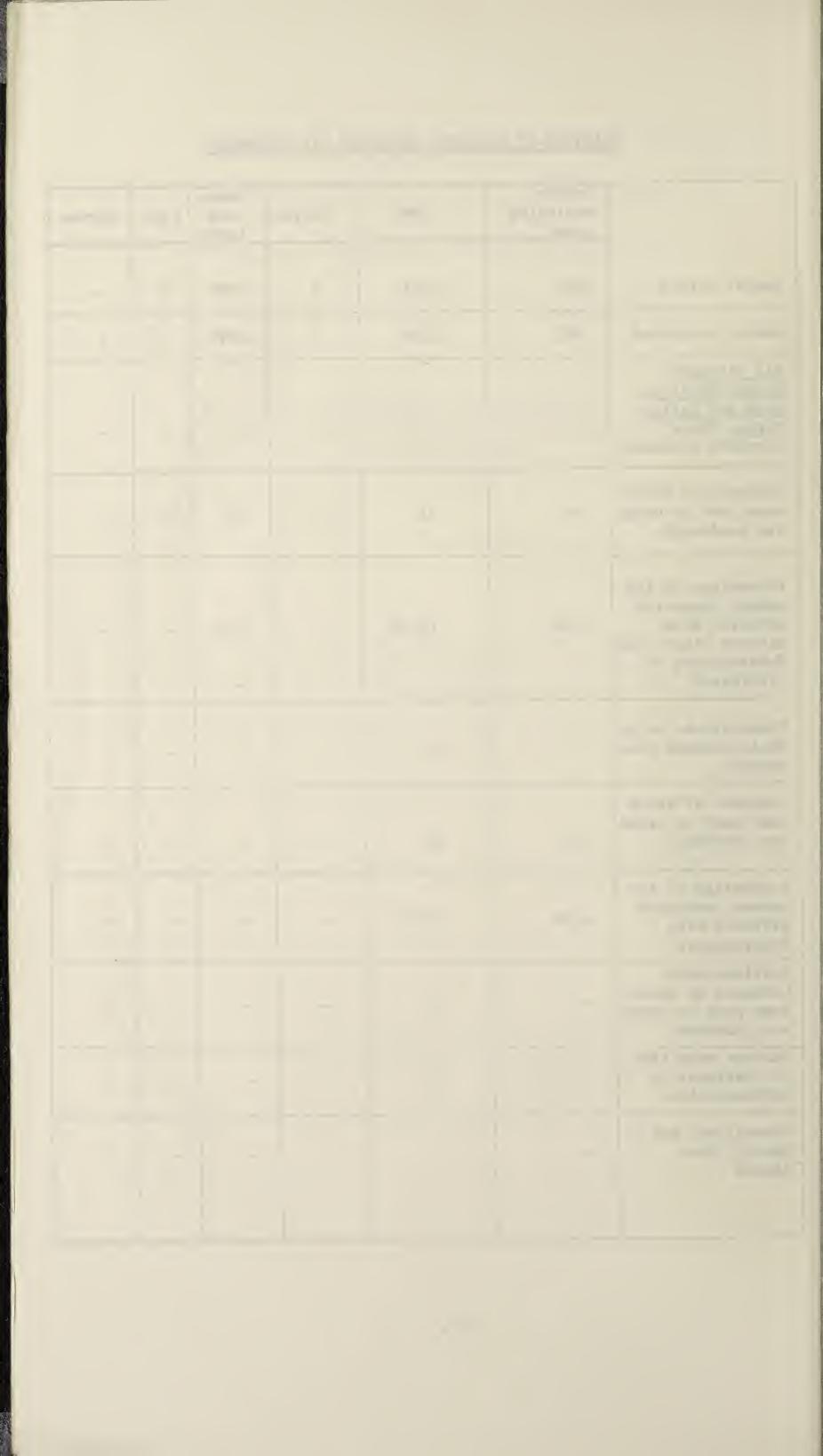
Bovines, Calves Sheep Pigs	including	Bulls,	Oxen,	0 0 0	• • • •	Heifers	 3
							3597

The quantity of this meat condemned as unfit for human food is:-

	of meat, Tubercul		ng offal	affected	0 • • • •	1655	lbs.
Weight	of meat	affected	with ot	her diseas	е	540	lbs.
						03.05	

ANALYSIS OF CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

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	Cattle excluding cows.	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	485	210	3	2897	2	-
Number inspected	485	210	3	2897	2	6000
All diseases except Tubercul- osis and Cysti- cerci. Whole carcases condemned	ecas		6863	-	-	_
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	10	34		35	650	æs
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis or Cysticerci	2.06	16.19	=	1.21	cus :	-
Tuberculosis only. Whole carcase condemned.	cess	cas .	ဆ	ens		
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	24	54	csecs	-	GGO.	***
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	4.94	25.71		-	-	dese
Cysticercosis Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	cos	1		5 50	CID	552
Carcase submitted to treatment by refrigeration		1	9		-	es .
Generalised and Totally Con- demned	:	Cam-			-	



FOOD INSPECTION AND FOOD PREMISES

Details of food condemned

		lbs.	ozs.
Grapes Canned Canned Canned Canned Canned Canned Canned	Tomatoes Fruit Fish Meat	34 9 18 11 2 27	8 6 4 -
		102	14

FOOD PREMISES

There are 127 premises where foods of various kinds are prepared, stored and sold. These comprise the following:-

- 11 Bakehouses
- 53 Grocers (23 of which also sell ice cream and four of which sell greengrocery)
- 5 Confectioners selling mainly pastries
- 17 Shops where confectionery and ice cream are sold
 - 7 Greengrocers
 - 5 Fishmongers and Poultry Dealers, four of which sell greengrocery also.
 - 4 Fish and Chip shops
- 1 Dairy and 1 Milk Bar
- 16 Butchers
 - 5 Cafe Restaurants
 - 3 Factory Canteens

There are also 32 licensed hotels and inns.

Number of Premises registered under The Food and Drugs.Act, 1938-1955.

For sale of Ice Cream	53
For manufacture of Potted	ž,
and preserved foods	16

The Food Hygiene Regulations, 1955.

Special inspection of food premises under these regulations was continued during the year. A copy of the regulations has been supplied to the occupiers of all food premises.

There has been reconstruction and modernisation of four shops and considerable improvements in many others, the results achieved so far are very satisfactory.

Further improvements have been made to more of the licensed premises in the district. The standard of hygiene is satisfactory in most cases and the use of detergents for washing glasses, etc., is common practice.

Eight samples of ice cream were taken during the year for bacteriological examination and all were found to be Grade I; Grade I and 2 are generally considered satisfactory.

Adulteration of Food.

The County Council administer the sections of the Food and Drugs Acts, dealing with the adulteration of food.

Factories Act, 1937.

Inspection of Factories and Workplaces.

	Inspections	Notices	Prosecutions
Factories with Mechanical Power Factories without Mechanical Power Other premises (Building works, etc.)	52 25 -		- -
<u>Defects</u>	Found	Abated	Referred to H.M.I.
Want of Cleanliness	7	7	-
Overcrowding	<u>.</u>	-	_
Unreasonable temperature	- '	_	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	_	_
Ineffective Drainage of floors	-	_	_
Sanitary Conveniences insufficient Sanitary Conveniences unsuitable	1	1	_
or defective Sanitary Conveniences unsuitable or defective	1	1	es es
for sexes		-	
Other offences	-	•	-
Totals	9	9	